



Food Security and Minimizing Postharvest Loss: Markets, Applied Research, and Innovation

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U.S. Department of State
Marshall Center East Auditorium ([Visitors use 21st St. Entrance](#))

Objectives:

1. To better understand the impact of postharvest loss on food security in low-income countries.
2. To identify promising research, innovations, and business practices that can help stem postharvest loss.
3. To elevate the profile of postharvest loss prevention initiatives across the for-profit, government, and non-profit spheres and identify new areas for collaborative solutions.

8:30 **Registration** – Coffee served

9:00 **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- **Jose W. Fernandez**, Assistant Secretary, **Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State**
- **Joseph Domask**, Deputy Coordinator for Roundtables, **Foreign Service Institute**

9:15 **Panel 1 – Role of the Private Sector in Addressing Postharvest Loss – Panel 1 is Open to the Press**

- **Moderator – Jose W. Fernandez**, Assistant Secretary, **U.S. Department of State**
- **Bill Hudson**, CEO, **Global Cold Chain Alliance**
- **Philippe Villers**, President, **GrainPro**
- **Bruce McNamer**, President and CEO, **TechnoServe**
- **Margaret Enis Spears**, Director, Office of Markets, Partnerships, and Innovation, **USAID Bureau for Food Security**

10:30 **Coffee Break**

10:45 **Panel 2 – Moving from Research to Implementation in PHL Initiatives**

- **Moderator – Florence Rolle**, Senior Liaison Officer, **UN FAO Liaison Office for North America**
- **Steve Sonka**, Director, **ADM Institute for the Prevention of Postharvest Loss**
- **John Lamb**, Fellow and Principal Associate for Agriculture and Food Security, **Abt Associates**
- **Dieudonné Baributsa**, Team Manager, **Purdue Improved Cowpea Storage (PICS)**
- **Roger Frank**, Founder & Managing Director, **Innovare Advisors**

12:05 **Robert Hormats**, **Under Secretary of State for Economic Growth, Energy, and the Environment**

Introduction by: **Kathryn Russell**, Chief of Staff, **Secretary's Office of Global Food Security**

12:15 **Lunch** – served on site

1:10 **Breakout Sessions** (Group 1 in Room #1482; G-2 in Room #1498; G-3 in Room #1478; G-4 in Room #1499)

1. **Finance, Markets, and Investment** – Moderator: **Rob Lalka**, Howard G. Buffet Foundation; discussants: **Mary Jane Potter**, Innovare; and **Clyde Martin**, Office of Global Food Security
2. **Perishables and Cold Chain**: fruits, vegetables, meats, seafood, roots, tubers, dairy – Moderator: **Bruce Rubin**, Nenko Advisors International; discussants: **Corey Rosenbusch**, President, Global Cold Chain Alliance; **Isabel Walls**, National Institute of Food and Agriculture
3. **Non-perishables**: cereals and other – Moderator **Johanna Nesseth Tuttle**, CSIS Global Food Security Project; discussants: **Angela Boss**, Foods Resource Bank; **Eliot Masters**, Abt Associates / ICRAF
4. **Bridging Research with Implementation** – Moderator: **Ann Bartuska**, USDA Deputy Under Secretary for Research, Education, and Economics; discussants: **Steve Sonka**, ADM Institute; **James French**, IICA; and **Charlie Wilson**, Wilson Associates

2:40 **Report-backs from Break-out Groups to the Full Plenary**

3:00 **Concluding Remarks**

3:10 **Adjourn** – Participants are welcome to stay through 4:00 PM for coffee / informal networking